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15 More Counties Now Eligible for Disaster **Grant Program**

DES MOINES, Iowa – Low-income households in 15 additional counties, bringing the total to 23, are now eligible for the state's disaster grant program to help recover from flooding caused by heavy rains in mid-April.

The program offers a maximum grant of \$5,000 to families with incomes at or below twice the federal poverty index. For a family of two that would be gross income of about \$31,000 a year.

On May 7, Gov. Terry Branstad launched the program in Appanoose, Clinton, Davis, Decatur, Des Moines, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lucas, Marion, Monroe, Ringgold, Van Buren, Wapello, Warren, and Wayne counties.

On April 19 the governor declared a disaster in Cedar, Johnson, Mahaska, Scott, and Washington counties. Four days later he added three more counties – Lee, Muscatine, and lowa.

People who have enough funds to make repairs may seek reimbursement via a grant application that is available on the "Disaster Assistance" link on the DHS homepage. dhs.iowa.gov.

People who do not have enough money for repairs should contact local Community Action Agencies for assistance. The agencies will determine eligibility and will issue vouchers to make eligible repairs.

People have 45 days from the declaration to apply.

Editors: Here is contact information for the Community Action Agencies:

Appanoose County - Southern Iowa Economic Development Association Becky Flack P0 Box 658 226 West Main Street Ottumwa, Iowa 52501-0658 Phone: 641.682.8741

Toll Free: 1-800-622-8340

Clinton County - Community Action of Eastern Iowa, Clinton Office 240 N. Bluff Blvd., Suite 203 Clinton, IA 52732 563-243-5220 1-866-243-5220

Contact: Paula Pond

ppond@iacommunityaction.org

Hours: 8:00-4:30 M, T, Wed (by appt.), THz, Fri

Clinton County - Community Action of Eastern Iowa, DeWitt Office

PO Box 498 1415B 11th Street DeWitt, IA 52742-0498 563-659-8492

1-877-659-8492 Contact: Paula Pond

ppond@iacommunityaction.org

Hours: 8:00-4:30 M, T, Th, Fri (Closed Wed)

Davis County - Southern Iowa Economic Development Association

Becky Falck
P0 Box 658
226 West Main Street
Ottumwa, Iowa 52501-0658

Phone: 641.682.8741 Toll Free: 1-800-622-8340

Decatur County – South Central Iowa Community Action Program 109 N. Main, Leon 50144 (641)446-4454 Troy McBroom decatur@grm.net

Des Moines County – Community Action of Southeast Iowa 700 Jefferson Street, Burlington 52601 319-753-2893

Family Development Specialists at the Center are:

Deb Heater <u>deb.heater@caofseia.org</u>
Vicki Lair <u>vicki.lair@caofseia.org</u>

Jefferson County - Southern Iowa Economic Development Association

Becky Falck P0 Box 658 226 West Main Street Ottumwa, Iowa 52501-0658 Phone: 641.682.8741

Toll Free: 1-800-622-8340

Keokuk County - Southern Iowa Economic Development Association

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lucasco@iowatelecom.net

Marion County - Red Rock Area Community Action Program, Marion County Center 3014 E. Main Knoxville, IA 641-842-6571

Coordinator: Nancy Hulgan

Monroe County - South Central Iowa Community Action Program 221 S. Clinton, Albia 52531 (641)932-5107 Carolyn Earney cearney@iowatelecom.net

Ringgold County - MATURA Outreach Center 202 North Taylor Street

Mount Ayr, IA. 50854

Phone 641-464-2401

Center Director, Peggy Johnson rcoutreach@maturaact.org

Van Buren County - Southern Iowa Economic Development Association Becky Falck P0 Box 658 226 West Main Street Ottumwa, Iowa 52501-0658 Phone: 641.682.8741 Toll Free: 1-800-622-8340

Wapello County - Southern Iowa Economic Development Association Becky Falck P0 Box 658 226 West Main Street Ottumwa, Iowa 52501-0658

Phone: 641.682.8741 Toll Free: 1-800-622-8340

Warren County - Red Rock Area Community Action Program, Warren County Center 1009 S. Jefferson, Ste. 1

Indianola, IA 515-961-2543

Worker: Joanna Crane

Wayne County - South Central Iowa Community Action Program 220 E. Jefferson, Corydon 50060 (641)872-1281 Cheryl Mastin wayne1@grm.net

Previous 8 Declared Counties:

Iowa, Johnson, Washington

Dial "United Way 2-1-1"

Muscatine County - Muscatine Office

1903 Park Ave., #18 Muscatine, IA 52761 563-263-9290 1-866-263-9290

Contact: Jan Slaughter

islaughter@iacommunityaction.org

Hours: 8:00-4:30 M, T, Wed (by appt.), Th, Fri

Muscatine County - West Liberty Office

405 N. Elm Street West Liberty, IA 52776 563 263-9290 1 866 263-9290

Contact: Jan Slaughter

islaughter@iacommunityaction.org

Hours: Appointment only (must call Muscatine office to schedule)

Cedar County

101 Lynn Street Tipton, IA 52772 563-886-3191 1-800-920-3191

Contact: Jan Slaughter

jslaughter@iacommunityaction.org

Hours: 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:30 M, T, Wed (by appt.), Th, Fri

Scott County

500 E. 59th Street Davenport, IA 52807 563-324-3236 1-866-324-3236

Contact: Christina Kelly

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Hours: 8:00-4:30 M, Wed (by appt.), Th, Fri

8:00-6:00 Tues

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<u>Lee</u> South Lee County-The Marie Tallarico Community Action Center 220 S. 22nd St. Keokuk, IA 52632 Phone: 319-524-6383 Open from 8-4:30

North Lee County-Eichacker Community Action Center 3433 Ave O Fort Madison, IA 52627 Phone: 319-372-4471 Open from 8-4:30pm